

ABSTRACT

SURGICAL SEAL

A seal for laparoscopic port comprising:

a base adapted to engage a cannula, the base including an axial aperture for a surgical instrument;

a multiplicity of jaws mounted on the base, the jaws being moveable radially with respect to the aperture between an open position wherein the shaft of the surgical instrument may pass freely and the closed position wherein the jaws engage said shaft and provide a restraining force restraining radial movement of the shaft; and

an actuator rotatable to urge the jaws to move between said open position and said closed position.